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- The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English \boxtimes 2. language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 4 and 5 are \boxtimes 3. attached hereto.
- English-language abstracts for JP A 2000-117813, JP A 2000-351145 and JP A \boxtimes 04-208443 are attached hereto.

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